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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Theodore G. DOROS

Serial No.: 10/728,404

Title: Methods and Apparatus for Off-Axis  
Lithographic Illumination

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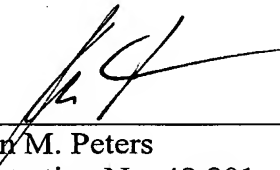
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 23, 2004**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 23, 2004, the applicant respectfully requests that the application be reconsidered in light of the following amendment and/or remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.